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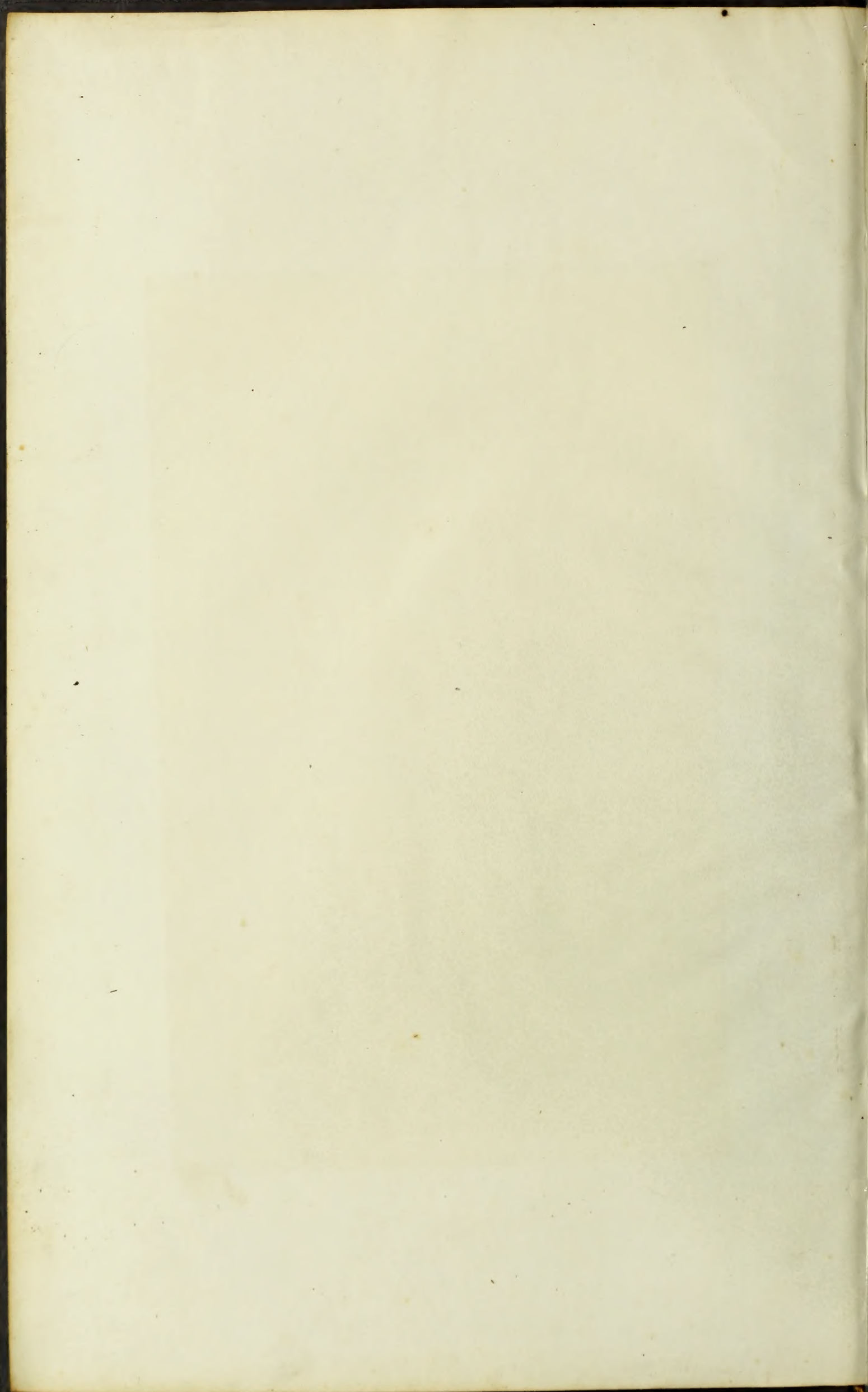
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Journal of a Whaling voyage on board
Bark Gay Head Capt. J. Kelly
Kept by Robert P. Gifford Com 1870

October 11th Sea Account

At 9 P M took the anchor with a
S W wind & commenced to beat out
of Buzzards Bay

Wednesday Oct 12th
Calm with fine weather the Wind S W
at 3 P M the Pilot left off the Light Boat
at the mouth of the Bay the middle &
last part cloudy with a strong wind from
the South

Thursday Oct 13th
Calm with strong winds & rain from
the South on the Western tack at 7 A M
the wind halled to the N W with
thick fog steering S E with a very
high swell from the the S E the last
part clear

Friday Oct 14th
Calm with strong Breezes from the N W
halling Northerly steering E by S with a
high swell from the S E Employed in
getting the Boats ready for whaling

Saturday Oct 15th
Calm with strong winds from the North
steering E by S the middle part more mod-
erate the last part calm employed in
coiling Whale Lines

Sunday Oct 16th 1870

Corn with light winds from the N E heading E S E by the wind the middle & last part light airs from the same

Lat 38.35

Long 62.12

Monday Oct 17th

All this day light & variable winds from N E to S E working to windward Employed in various kinds of work

Lat 39.46

Long 60.21

Tuesday Oct 18th

Corn with light winds from the S E steering by the wind heading E S E the middle & last part light winds from the S steering E Employed in working on the rigging

Lat 40.55

Long 57.42

Wednesday Oct 19th

Corn with light winds from the S W steering E by N the middle & last part fresh gales from S W to W steering E at 10 P M stowed the W B on the Cranes & Bent the forward dwt employed in ships duty

Lat 42.40

Long 53.50

Thursday Oct 20th

Corn with fresh gales from the N W steering E S E at 6 A M hove too under a close reefed No 3 sail at 2 P M it moderated & steered S E at 6 made all sail the last part light wind from N E

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Remarks on Board Bark Jay: Head
Friday Oct 21st

Corn with light winds from NE to
SE steering by the wind southerly
the middle of last part the voyaging
from S to SW steering SE by E
employed in getting the cutting gear
ready

Saturday Oct 22nd

Corn with light gales from SE W
steering SE by E at 2 A.M. raised
a sail to windward the middle
part more moderate the last part
light winds from the same at 4 P.M.
Saw a ship boiling to windward
at 8 P.M. raised a ship on our
weather bow at 9 spoke her it was
the William & Henry at 11 raised
spinn whales on our weather bow

Sunday Oct 23rd

Corn with light winds from the
SW at 00.30 lowered for the whales
at 2 the S.B. went along side of the
Boat Steerer missed him at 3rd
the S.B. struck at 4th the B.B. struck
a hump whale & saved him the S.B.
killed him at 5, got them along side
the middle part lying to under short sail
getting ready to cut at 6 P.M. called all
hands & corn to cut at 10 finished
cutting & made sail heading E

Remarks on Board Bark Say-Head

Monday Oct 24th

All this day strong breezes from the North steering E S E all hands employed in clearing the decks & boiling, a very heavy swell from the N W (Lat 38.40 Long 44.50)

Tuesday Oct 25th

All this day strong breezes from the N & N E steering S E at 3 P M finished Boiling the remainder of the day the watch employed in clearing the decks (Lat 37.14 Long 42.12)

Wednesday Oct 26th

All this day strong Breezes from N E to E heading from S E to S S E by the wind under double reefed Topsails the watch employed in putting on chafing gear (Lat 35.18 Long 41.13)

Thursday Oct 27th

The first & middle part of this day strong breezes from the E heading S E at 6 P M it moderated & made all sail at 10 the wind halled to the S tacked heading E S E the watch employed in working in the rigging (Lat 34.18 Long 40.30)

Friday Oct 28th

Came with light Breezes from the South the middle & last part strong winds from the same heading E S E the watch employed in ship's duty (Lat 34.05 Long 38.40)

On a Whaling voyage From New Bedford 1870

Saturday Oct 29th

At this day light from the South
heading S S E under Close reefed sails
& H Course the watch employed in ship's
duty

Lat 34.17
Long 37.00

Sunday Oct 30th

Came with light gales from the S
at 8 A M it halled to the S. W.
heading S S E with light swell
from the same the last part calm

Lat 34.04
Long 37.15

Monday Oct 31st

Came with a calm & very high swell
from the S E at 12 M it came
to breeze up from the S heading
S S E the last part strong breezes
from the same at 10 P M reefed
the S Sails the watch employed in
breaking out for water

Lat 34.03
Long 32.42

Tuesday Nov 1st

Came with light winds from the
S heading S S E the middle part
the wind halled to the N. W.
with a high swell from the S
the last part the wind from the
N & N E steering South

Lat 33.20
Long 31.25

Remarks on Board Bark Jay Head

Wednesday Nov 2^d

Com. with light & variable winds from So. & E the middle & last part light winds from the E steering S S E by the wind with squall of rain a sail on our lee

Lat 31.10

Long 31.20

Thursday Nov 3^d

All this day light winds from the E heading S S E the first part the wack employed in the riging the last part in stowing oil

Lat 28.30

Long 30.40

Friday Nov 4th

All this day strong winds from the E steering by the wind heading S by E & E employed in working in the riging & mending the W Boat

Lat 25.50

Long 30.11

Saturday Nov 5th

All this day strong winds from the E by heading S by E the wack employed in making canvas at 9 PM double reefed the W Sails

Lat 23.10

Long 29.30

Sunday Nov 6th

Com. with strong winds from the E at 2 PM got a very strong squall of wind & much rain began the South heading at 1 PM later heading S by E with light winds

Lat 22.30

Long 29.30

On a Whaling Voyage Nov 1870

Monday Nov 7th

All this day light airs from the S W
heading S by W the wack employed
in mending the Boat & working
in the rigging

Lat. 21.43

Long 29.13

Tuesday Nov 8th

All this day light airs from the S by E
heading S by W & W all hands employed
in setting up rigging

Lat 21.05

Long 29.38

Wednesday Nov 9th

All this day light winds from the S by E
heading S by W saw 3 sails during the
day the wack employed in working in
the rigging & making canvas

Lat 18.30

Long 29.54

Thursday Nov 10th

All this day strong trades from the E
steering S by E the wack employed in
ship's duty

Lat 16.58

Long 29.11

Friday Nov 11th

The first & middle part strong trades
the last part more moderate steering
S by E the wack employed in
making canvas

Lat 14.12

Long 28.19

Saturday Nov 12th

All this day light trades steering S by E
the wack employed in working
in the rigging & making canvas

Lat 12.25

Long 26.47

Remarks on Board the Bark
All this Sunday Nov 13th

All this day light winds from
the E to N E steering S by E & E
the watch employed in ships duty
Lat 10.45
Long 26.03

Monday Nov 14th

All this day light trades steering
S by E saw 4 sails during the day
the watch employed in making
cannon & working in the rigging
Lat 8.50
Long 25.45

Tuesday Nov 15th

All this day light winds from
the E with squalls of rain steering
S the watch employed in ships
duty
Lat 6.46
Long 25.30

Wednesday Nov 16th

All this day Calm with many
squalls of rain & thick clouds all
day
Lat & Long
unknown

Thursday Nov 17th

Calm with calms the middle part
light airs from the E & S E with
much rain the last part calm
Lat 6.39

Friday Nov 18th

All this day light winds from the
E steering South at 6 P.M. raised
whales Breaching 5 miles dist at 9 lowered
at 10 the B.B. struck at 11 the S.B.
got fast at 12 got them along side
Long 25.44

Gay Head on a Whaling voyage from N.H. 1870
Saturday Nov 19th

Went with getting ready to cut at
2¹ corn to cut at 4 finished cutting
the remainder of the day employed
in Boiling Lat 51.30
Long 25.34

Sunday Nov 20th
Went with calms employed in boiling
at 5 & 10 finished Boiling & cooled down
the middle part light airs from the
S S W heading S E the last part calm
Lat 51.23
Long 25.27

Monday Nov 21st
Went with light airs from the S W heading
S E & with a high swell from the S E
the middle part the same the last
part calm Lat 51.02
Long 24.57

Tuesday Nov 22^d
Went with calms the watch employed
in breaking out water the middle
& last part light airs from the S W
heading S E Lat 41.22
Long 24.30

Wednesday Nov 23rd
All this day light winds from the
S E & heading S W with much
rain Lat 31.03

Thursday Nov 24th
All this day light winds from the
S E & heading S W with constant
rain Lat 21.24
Long 26.28

Remarks on Board the Bark Gay Head

Friday Nov 25th

All this day light S & E trades heading
S by W with frequent squalls
of rain saw 3 sails during the
day

Latt 00^h 57^m
Long 27^h 12^m

Saturday Nov 26th

All this day strong trades steering
S by W the wach employed in
working in the riging

Latt 2^h 38^m
Long 28^h 00^m

Sunday Nov 27th

All this day strong trades steering
by the wind heading S by W & W
Saw a sail to wind-ward

Latt 3^h 48^m
Long 29^h 14^m

Monday Nov 28th

All these 24 hours fresh trades steering
by the wind heading S by W & W
the wach employed in breaking
out water & stowing down oil

Latt 8^h 58^m
Long 29^h 49^m

Tuesday Nov 29th

All this day light trades steering
S by W the wach employed in
working in the riging

Latt 11^h 28^m
Long 31^h 05^m

Wednesday Nov 30th

All this day light winds from
the N & E steering S by W the
wach employed in making
vinnet & working in the riging

Latt 3^h 48^m
Long 32^h 01^m

on a Whaling voyage from N.B. 1820

Thursday Dec 1st

All this day light winds from the N.E.
steering S.W. by W the wach employed in
in making can net & various other work

Lat 15.48

Long 32.31

Friday Dec 2^d

All this day light airs from the N.E.
with calms in the middle part
steering S.W. by W

Lat 16.34

Long 33.12

Saturday Dec 3^d

All this day light airs from the N.E.
with frequent showers of rain steering
S.W. by W the wach employed in
straightening the W. Boats davets

Lat 17.18

Long 33.58

Sunday Dec 4th

All this day light airs from the the North
steering S.W. by W at 10 P.M. saw a sail
steering to Westward

Lat 18.43

Long 34.32

Monday Dec 5th

All this day light winds from the N.N.E.
steering S.W. by W with frequent squalls of
rain in the middle part A sail is in sight
on our Port quarter 15 mids dist

Lat 20.40

Long 35.35

Tuesday Dec 6th

All this day strong winds from the N.E.
steering S.W. by E the wach employed in
making spunyarn & other ships duty with
frequent squalls in the middle part

supposed Lat 22.30

Long 37.30

Remarks on Board the Bark Lay Head
Wednesday Dec 7th

All this day light airs from the NE
steering SW by S with frequent
squalls of rain the watch employed
in ships duty

Lat 23.40

Long 38.07

Thursday Dec 8th

All this day light winds from the North
steering SE by W with cloudy weather &
much rain

Friday Dec 9th

All this day light winds from the NE
steering SW by S with thick & rainy weather
the first & middle part the last part clear

Lat 27.22

Long 40.07

Saturday Dec 10th

All this day fine weather the wind moderate
from North to W steering from SW by South
to S by W saw a sail in the first part
of the day going North East

Lat 29.39

Long 41.17

Sunday Dec 11th

All this day light winds from the NE
steering SW by S the watch employed in
making spungarn &c

Lat 31.10

Long 42.40

Monday Dec 12th

All this day light winds from the NW
steering SW by S the watch employed in
ships duty

Lat 32.50

Long 44.07

Tuesday Dec 13th

on A Whaling voyage from New Bedford 1870
All this day strong winds from ~~S~~ W to
S & W heading from ~~S~~ E to S
with thick weather the most of the time
Lat 34.47
Long 43.30

Wednesday Dec 14th
The first & middle part of this day light
winds from the North the last part
from the S W steering by the wind
heading S E to E Lat 38.01
Long 44.17

Thursday Dec 15th
The first & middle part of this day
strong winds from the W & N W
steering S E W the last part calm
Lat 39.18
Long 45.41

Friday Dec 16th
All this day light winds from the
E & North steering S E W the watch
employed in ships duty Lat 41.20
Long 46.49

Saturday Dec 17th
All this day strong winds from the N E
steering S W with much rain & fog
Lat 43.25
Long 48.57

Sunday Dec 18th
All this day light winds from the S W
steering S W with squally weather in
the middle part

Remarks on Board the Bark Gay Head

Monday Dec 19th

All this day light winds from the N.W.
& West steering from S.W. to S.W.
with cloudy weather the most of the
time

Lat 45° 28'

Long 49° 32'

Tuesday Dec 20th

Came with strong breezes from the
W. heading to S.W. suddenly hove to
under a close reefed Main & Sail at
2 P.M. it blowing a gale through the
bay

Lat 45° 45'

Long 49° 18'

Wednesday Dec 21st

All this day strong breezes from the
S.W. heading S.E. under close reefs

Lat 46° 08'

Thursday Dec 22^d

Long 49° 05'

All the first & middle part of this
day light gales from the W. with
a high swell from the S.W. heading
S.W. at 9 P.M. shook out the
reefs & set the Main & Gallant Sail

Lat 47° 10'

Long 49° 36'

Friday Dec 23^d

All this day light winds from the W. & N.W.
steering by the wind heading S.W. with a
high swell from the S.E.

Lat 49° 20'

Long 52° 33'

Saturday Dec 24th

The first part of this day light winds from the
W. & N.W. to west the middle & last part
fresh breezes from the same heading S.W.

Lat 50° 57' Long 54° 54'

on a Whaling voyage from New Bedford 1830

Sunday Dec 25th

All this day strong Breezes from the N^W
steering S^W by W at 12 M D^d used the
Falkland Islands in " Lat 52° 34'
Long 59° 0'

Monday Dec 26th

All this day light & variable winds from
N^W to E steering S^W by W with
cloudy weather the most of the time Lat 53° 10'
Long 61° 06'

Tuesday Dec 27th

Corn with light winds from the E & S E
steering S^W the middle part the wind
halled to the S heading W of W the
last part strong breezes from the S^W reefed
the Topsails at 8 P^M Lat 53° 57'
Long 64° 05'

Wednesday Dec 28th

Corn with strong breezes from the S^W the middle
part the wind halled to the N^W & steered
S E with light airs at 3 P^M raised Staten Land
& steered S E the wind halling North with
rain at 11 P^M passed the land so milds dist
Lat 54° 50'
Long 63° 45'

Thursday Dec 29th

Corn with strong breezes from the N E halling
Easterly steering from E. to S. W. at 6 A^M the
wind halled to the S^W at 8 double reefed
the 4 Sails heading S all the remainder part
of the day the same Lat 55° 58'
Long 65° 00'

Remarks on Board the Bark Gay Head

Friday Dec 30th

All this day light airs from the W heading a part of the time on either tack saw a ship steering N E

Lat 56, 34

Long 83, 38

Saturday Dec 31st

Corn with calm the middle part a light air from the W the last part it halled to the North & freshens steering West

Lat 56, 15

Long 65, 00

Sunday Jan 1st 1871

All this day fresh breezes from the West heading S W & S W by S with much rain

Lat 56, 59

Long 66, 20

Monday Jan 2^d

Corn with strong Breezes from the West the middle part light airs from the same heading S W the last part light airs from the E steering W with a very high swell running from the same 6 sails in sight

Tuesday Jan 3^d

The first & middle part of this day light wind from the E steering W with a high swell from the same the last part light airs from the S W heading W N W with 9 sails in sight

Lat 57, 06

Wednesday Jan 4th

Long 68, 30

Corn with light winds & breezing on from the W at 3 A M raised the Diegoes bearing N by E 30 miles dist the middle part strong breezes from the same the last part light airs from the E steering W

Lat 56, 40 Long 70, 37

on a Whaling voyage from New Bedford 1870

Thursday Jan 5th

Corn with strong breezes from the North steering
W the middle part light gales from the same
with much rain at 11 A M reaped the 3^d Sails
the last part light gales from the N W
heading S W

Lat 36.30

Long 73.15

Friday Jan 6th

Corn with light gales from the W heading
N N W the middle part fresh gales from
the same at 7 A M clost reaped the Fore
& main 3^d Sails & furled the courses & Gibb
heading N W by N the last part more moderate
the wind halling to the N W at 10 P M
tacked heading W S W

Lat 36.18; Long 73.28

Saturday Jan 7th

Corn with light winds from the N W halling
to the North the middle part strong
breezes from the N N E heading N W with
much rain the last part light winds
from the N heading W N W with a
high swell from the West, Lat 35.55 Long 76.36

Sunday Jan 8th

Corn with light winds from the North heading
W N W the middle part calm the last
part strong breezes from the W steering North

Lat 34.34 Long 77.50

Monday Jan 9th

All this day light gales from the W & N W
steering North the first & middle part
the last part heading N N E with much
rain all day

Remarks on Board the Bark Gray-Head

Tuesday Jan 10th

All this day fresh gales from the N W & W a part of the time on either tack with much rain Lat 52.40 Long 77.30

Wednesday Jan 11th

The first & middle part of this day fresh gales from the W & S W steering N by W with a light swell from the N W with frequent squalls of rain Lat 51.10 Long 77.49

Thursday Jan 12th

Came with light gales from the S W steering N by W the middle & last part light winds from the W steering North Lat 49.00 Long 78.00

Friday Jan 13th

Came with strong breezes from the W & N W heading from N N W to N N E the middle & last part light gales from the N W heading N N E with much rain Lat 47.36 Long 77.19

Saturday Jan 14th

All this day fresh gales from the W heading N N W under close reefs 3 sails & 4 Course with much rain in the first & middle parts Lat 45.20 Long 77.42

Sunday Jan 15th

All this day light breezes from the S W steering North with a sail in sight all day & clear weather Lat 42.20 Long 77.30

Monday Jan 16th

All this day light breezes from the S W & S at 2 A.M. raised Spinn Whales & lowered at 8 came on board & shortened sail heading a part of the time on either tack at 5 P.M. made sail & steered from N W to N E Lat 41.05 Long 76.40

On a Whaling voyage from New Bedford 1871

Tuesday Jan 17th

All this day strong breezes from the So steering N E
at 12 M D raised the S of De La Mocha 15 miles
Dist bearing N E by N Lat 8.30 Long 74.00

Wednesday Jan 18th

All this day strong breezes from the So
lying off & on at Mocha = Henry H. Worth
Dejected

Thursday Jan 19th

Corn with strong breezes from the So lying off
Mocha at 7 A M steered N N W the middle
& last part strong breezes from the same
steering N N W Lat 36.00 Long 75.00

Friday Jan 20th

All this day light winds from the So steering
N N W the wach employed in breaking out
in the After-hack & working in the rigging
Lat 33.35 Long 76.30

Saturday Jan 21st

All this day light winds from the S W steering
N W by N the wach employed in making
spungarn & making bearers for the Mast boat
Lat 32.00 Long 77.33

Sunday Jan 22^d

All this day fine weather & light winds from the
So steering N W by N the wach employed in
working in the rigging & making spungarn Lat 30.00
Long 79.45

Monday Jan 23^d

All this day light winds from the S E steering
N W by N Lat 27.50
Long 81.00

Remarks on Board the Bark Gay-Head

Tuesday Jan 24th

All this day light trades steering N N W
at 7 P M saw a sail on our S Bow steering
to the S W the wach employed in working
in the rigging

Wednesday Jan 25th

All this day light trades steering N W by W
the wach employed in ratling down &
making spungarn at 8 P M got the West
Boat on her cranes Lat^t 24.27 Long 83.30

Thursday Jan 26th

All this day light trades from the S E steering
N W by N the wach employed in ratling
down & making spungarn Lat^t 22.20 Long 84.15

Friday Jan 27th

All this day light trades steering N W by N
the wach employed in working in the
rigging & painting the B B Lat^t 20.54 Long 85.30

Saturday Jan 28th

All this day light trades steering N W by N
the wach employed in painting Boats & noting
wars Lat^t 17.53 Long 87.15

Sunday Jan 29th

All this day light trades & pleasant weather
steering N W by N Lat^t 16.19 Long 88.15

Monday Jan 30th

All this day light trades steering N N W
saw several fin backs during the day, the
wach employed in setting up rigging Lat^t 14.50
Long 89.28

On a Whaling voyage from New Bedford 1877
Tuesday Jan 31st

All this day light winds from the ESE
steering NW by the watch employed in
setting up rigging

Wednesday Feb 1st

All this day light trades steering NW by N
the watch employed in working in the rigging
& making spungarn - Lat 12.25 Long 91.42

Thursday Feb 2nd

All this day light airs from the SE steering NW by N
the watch employed in making spungarn &
various other work Lat 11.50

Friday Feb 3rd

All this day light trades at 3 AM raised Sprim
Whales & mids dist on our L Beam breaching
at 4 lowered for them without success at 7
came on board & shortened sail lying by the
wind through the night leading NE at 5 PM
made all sail at 9 steered West Lat 11.32 Long 93.00

Saturday Feb 4th

All this day light trades steering W by N
through the day & by the wind at night
under easy sail all hands employed in making
spungarn & working in the rigging Lat 11.10 Long 94.09

Sunday Feb 5th

All this day light trade steering W by N
through the day & hove too at night
Lat 10.54 Long 95.19

Monday Feb 6th

All this day light-trades with squalls
of rain in the last part the watch
employed in making spungarn
Lat 10.01 Long 95.56

Remarks on board the Bark Gay-Head

Tuesday Feb 7th

All this day strong trades steering from
W to N through the day & by the
wind at night under reefed G Sails

Lat 9.22 Long 96.34

Wednesday Feb 8th

All this day fresh trades steering North
through the day & hove to at night
with squalls of rain the wach employed
in making spungarn

Thursday Feb 9th

All this day light trades steering N^W
through the day & hove to at night
all hands employed in mending sails
& making spungarn Lat 8.12 Long 97.40

Friday Feb 10th

All this day light trades steering N^W by N
all hands employed in mending sails
& making spungarn Lat 6.23 Long 98.19

Saturday Feb 11th

All this day light trades steering from
W N W to N all hands mending sails
& working in the rigging Lat 4.58 Long 98.40

Sunday Feb 12th

All this day fresh trades steering from W N W to N
through the day & hove to at night one wach
on duty Lat 3.53 Long 101.03

Monday Feb 13th

All this day light trades steering N N W through
the day & hove to at night all hands employed
in mending sails & making spungarn Lat 3.15
Long 102.34

on a Whaling voyage from New Bedford 1871
Tuesday Feb 14th

All this day light-traders steering from W. to N. & lying to at night at 8 P.M. raised Spinn Whales & lowered 3 boats at 9 the W.B. Boat struck & the 4th Boat lowered at 9 & the T.B. struck at 10 the W. Boat got her 2^d whale at 10 & the L.B. struck & lost lines she took the S.B. line at 11 struck again at 11 $\frac{1}{4}$ killed him at 11 the B.B. killed her whale

Wednesday Feb 15th

All this day light-traders at 3 A.M. the W.B. got her whales along side & went for the B.B. at 3: the L.B. got an other & towed them together at 6 finished getting them along side & got supper! the S.B. went on twice & missed & set the waches at 7. at 5 P.M. called all hands & com to cut so ends this day
Lat 2.30 Long 103.20

Thursday Feb 16th

All this day light-traders at 4 A.M. finished cutting & cleared the deck the remainder of the day employed in boiling

Friday Feb 17th

All this day fresh traders with double reefs a part of the time on either tack heading E.N.E. on one & S.E.W. on the other tack employed in boiling Lat 2.39
Long 103.10

Saturday Feb 18th

All this day light-traders steering by the working to windward the wach employed in boiling untill 4 P.M. cooled down clearing deck & cooking the rest of the day Lat 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ Long 103.50

Sunday Feb 19th

All this day light-traders steering W. by N. with frequent squalls in the middle & last part the wach employed in ship duty
Lat 1.05 Long 105.55

Remarks on board Park Gay Head

Monday Feb 20th

All this day light trades steering W by N N
the wach employed in making spungorn
& breaking out the after hatch Lat 4.30
Long 108.12

Tuesday Feb 21st

All this day light S E trades steering NW
with much rain in the middle &
last parts Lat 4.2 North Long 109.13

Wednesday Feb 22^d

All this day light & variable winds from
S to E with much rain steering from
W N W to N N W

Thursday Feb 23^d

All this day light winds from S E to
N E with frequent squalls of rain
Lat 3.32 Long 109.45

Friday Feb 24th

All this day light trades from the N E
with fine weather steering W N W
the wach employed in working in the
riging & painting the spare boats
Lat 4.12 Long 110.50

Saturday Feb 25th

All this day light N E trades steering
W N W the wach employed in
mending the Main Y Sail Lat 4.22 Long 112.

Sunday Feb 26th

All this day light N E trades steering
N W by W with fine weather Lat 5.30
Long 114.27

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Monday Feb 27th

All this day moderate trades steering
W N W with squalls in the middle
part the wack employed in making
spungarn Lat 6.47 Long 114.38

Tuesday Feb 28th

All this day fresh trades steering W N W
the wack employed in making spungarn
& capping the rigging, Lat 7.57 Long 120.00

Wednesday March 1st

All this day moderate trades steering W N W
the wack employed in making spungarn
Lat 8.52 Long 122.20

Thursday March 2nd

All this day fresh trades steering W N W
the wack employed in making spungarn
Lat 10.06 Long 125.09

Friday March 3rd

All this day fresh trades with squalls of
rain steering W N W the wack employed
in ships duty Lat 11.06 Long 128.20

Saturday March 4th

All this day strong trades from N N E with much
rain steering W N W Lat 12.44 Long 132.12

Sunday March 5th

All this day strong trades from the N N E with
squalls of rain in the first part steering W N W
Lat 14.12 Long 135.53

Remarks on Board Bark Gay-Head
Monday March 5th

All this day strong trades & vary squally
steering W by N. W Lat 15.30 Long 139.41

Tuesday March 6th

All this day strong trades with squalls in
the first & middle part steering W by N. W
the watch employed in noting yarns Lat 17.20
Long 143.05

Wednesday March 8th

All this day fresh trades from the East steering
W by N & N the watch employed in making
spungarn Lat 18.33 Long 146.18

Thursday March 9th

All this day fresh trades from the E N E
steering W by N & N the watch employed
in making spungarn Lat 19.45 Long 149.45

Friday March 10th

All this day fresh trades from the E
steering W by N & N the watch employed
in working in the rigging Lat 20.27 Long 153.09

Saturday March 11th

All this day strong trades steering W by N with
frequent squalls the watch employed in ships
Lucy & getting the chains cables & bending them
Lat 21.02 Long 156.08

Sunday March 12th

All this day strong trades at 2 A M raised
the East end of Kowheea steering by the
land coast untill 2 P M & hove too off
Honolulu at 7th took the pilot at 8 the steamer
took us in tow at 9 anchored & moored in
Hobolulu harbor

On a Whaling voyage from New Bedford 1878
Monday March 13th in port

All hands employed in breaking out for shoocks &
coopering setting up shoocks

We are employed thus all the week
the weather being very squally & blowing a gale
a part of the time { March 15th Henry F. Worth returned
on board

Monday March 20th

Employed in coopering oil setting shoocks
& getting provisions on shore

Monday March 27th

Employed in getting on board water &
halling the ship to her moorings { John Forty ^{this day} departed

Tuesday March 28th

Employed in getting ready for sea
At 4 A M the Pilot came on board
took the anchor at 5th went to sea
Lying off & on the remainder of the day

Wednesday March 29th

All this day lying off & on at Honolulu
with the Capt on shore

Thursday March 30th

All this day lying off Honolulu harbor
with fresh trades

Friday March 31st

Came with fresh trades at 5 A M the Capt
came on board & steered for the sea end
of Moahe at 10 steered by the wind
heading from N to NNW Lat. 22.53
Long = 159.00

Bernarks on Board the Bark Sag-Head

Saturday April 1st

All this day strong trades steering by the wind heading from No to NW under double reefs courses & gibb

Sunday April 2^d

All this day strong trades heading N by W with the bark Ceruca on our lee quarter at 8 P.M. the Capt went on Board of her & the mate returned with the Boat

Monday April 3^d

All this day strong trades heading N by W the wach employed in making weather cloths & Whaling signals Lat 29.40

Tuesday April 4th

All this day fresh breezes from the E steering N by W the wach employed in setting up rigging & painting Boats Lat 31.38

Wednesday April 5th

All this day fresh breezes from the S & E steering N the wach employed in various work Lat 34.48

Thursday April 6th

All this day strong breezes from S E to S steering N the wach employed in ship's duty Lat 37.48

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Friday April 7th

All this day strong breezes from the South steering N by E with frequent squalls of rain the work employed in bending the G T Mast Stay Sail & Fore Spencer

Lat 41.04

Saturday April 8th

Calm with light gales from the South hailing Westerly the middle part strong gales from the West at 7 A M cloth reefed the T Sails & furled the courses the last part more moderate set the courses & filled with double reefed T Sails Lat 43.17

Sunday April 9th

All this day strong breezes from the W & S steering N by E at 3 A M made all sail

Monday April 10th

Calm with strong winds from the S hailing Westerly steering N the last part the wind West South W steering the same

Tuesday April 11th Lat 49.12

The first & middle parts of this day moderate winds from the W steering N N W the last part calm the work employed in bending storm sails & getting out the new boats Lat 51.50

Wednesday April 12th

Calm with calms the the middle part strong winds from the W & W & S W steering N W by N the last part the wind S & steering the same with thick squalls of snow & rain

Remarks on Board the Bark Gay Head

Thursday April 13th
The first & middle parts of this day light-
gales from the S & steering NW by N
untill 3 o'clock & N & hove to under 2 close-
reefed Main & Sail at 5 P.M. steered
NW by N under Top Sails & Fore Course
at 9 P.M. raised Oukumok Island 25 miles
distant bearing N by W Lat 5° 36'

Friday April 14th
All this day moderate winds from the West
steering by the wind heading S in the first
part & lying aback in the middle part at 8 P.M.
the Capt of the Cenica came on board
& steered East the remainder of the day
Lat 5° 32' Long 153° 51'

Saturday April 15th
All this day light winds from the W
steering E by S in the first & last parts
the middle part lying aback in company
with the Cenica Lat 5° 45' 7"
At 5 P.M. the Steward struck at the 3^d Mate Mr Mackumber with a knife
& scalded him with hot water

Sunday April 16th
All this day strong breezes from the S steering
by the wind heading ESE with much
rain & fog

Monday April 17th
Calm with strong winds from the S &
heading ESE with much rain the
middle & last parts moderate with the
wind S by E steering E & good weather
Lat 5° 45' 50'

on a Whaling voyage from New Bedford 1871

Tuesday April 18th

All this day light winds from the South steering E with pleasant weather gaming with the Park Kenica Lat 54,48

Wednesday April 19th

Corn with light air from the S W steering E by S the middle part fresh breezes from the same with squalls of snow & rain the last part high gales from the S E heading E N E under reefed Top Gails & gill

Thursday April 20th

Corn with light gales from the S E heading E N E with much rain the middle part more moderate the wind halling Southward the last part light winds made all sail at 6 P M Lat 53,50

Friday April 21st

All this day light winds from the S W steering E, S, E the wach employed in various small jobs) Lat 52,44

Saturday April 22^d

All this day light airs from the S & S E heading from E S E to E N E saw a great number of fin Backs

Sunday April 23^d

This day Corn with light winds from the S E the middle & last parts strong breezes from the same heading E N E at 5 P M raised the coast of America

Remarks on Board the Bark Gay Head

Monday April 24th

All this day Calm with fog & rain
the land 15 miles dist saw many
Thin Backs

Tuesday April 25th

All this day light winds from the S &
S E steering N N W by the land with
frequent squalls of rain

Wednesday April 26th

All this day moderate winds from the
S E steering N by W untill 8 A M &
lying to the wind under short sail in
the middle part at 5 P M steered
N E for the N point of Queen Charlots
Isle at in company with the Benica &
Coholo at 11 steered N W

Thursday April 27th

Calm with strong breezes from the S E
heading S E W the middle & last part
light gales from the same with much
rain at 12 M, N wore ship heading E N E

Friday April 28th

Calm with strong breezes from the S E steering
N E at 3 A M passed Foresters island 3 miles dist
after which we steered N W by N by the shore
Lat 54.58

Saturday April 29th

All this day moderate breezes from the S E
& Co. steering by the shore heading N W by N
at 10 P M passed Citka by 25 miles dist
Lat 56.58

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Sunday April 30th

All this day fresh breezes from the E & steering by the shore heading N^W untill 8 A M hove to heading a part of the time on either tack at 4 P M steered N^W with cloudy weather

Monday May 1st

All this day fresh winds from the E and N & steering from N^W to W at 3 A M passed Mount Fairweather Lat 58° 10'

Tuesday May 2^d

All this day light winds from the E & N steering W with a plenty of Pt Backs in sight Lat 57° 25'

Wednesday May 3^d

All this day strong breezes from the W a part of the time on either tack heading S S W & N N W Lat 58° 40'

Thursday May 4th

Came with light winds from the W heading N N W at 7 A M the wind halled to the E steering W the last part fresh winds from the same steering S S W Lat 58° 40'

Friday May 5th

All this day light winds from the North steering W & S W at 8 P M gained Codrucks Island squalls of snow all the last part of this day Lat 58° 51'

Saturday May 6th

Came with light winds from the N steering S W lying to through the middle part at 4 P M steered S at 10 the wind halled to the W with snow

Remarks on board the Bark Gay Head

Sunday May 7th

Corn with light airs & much snow from the
S W heading S E the middle part - calm with
snow the last part clear with fresh gales from
the N W heading S W under close reefs & storm
sails Lat 45, 59

Monday May 8th

Corn with fresh gales from the N W heading
W S W under close reefs the middle part
more moderate at 4 P M made sail heading
S W the wind falling Westerly at 11 P M
tacked heading N W

Tuesday May 9th

Corn with light winds from the S W heading
W N W with rain & fog the middle & last
parts strong Breezes from the S heading S E
under double reefs

Wednesday May 10th

All this day light gales from the S E heading
S W under close reefs with much fog & rain
Saw a few fin Backs

Thursday May 11th

The first part of this day strong Breezes from
the S E steering W with single reefed Sails
the middle & last part more moderate
steering the same at 7 P M saw the land
on our Starboard beam 20 miles distant
at 8 made all sail Lat 54, 20

On a Whaling voyage from New Bedford 1877

Friday May 12th

All this day light winds from the North heading off N W with a bad head swell in sight of the land all day

Saturday May 13th

All this day light airs from the North & W working to the Westward by the land the wack employed in breaking out the after hole & stowing the ground tier

Sunday May 14th

Corn with light airs from the S W steering N W with Cunimac passage 15 miles dist at 7 A M entered the straits at 12 M it got through the sound halling to the S E the last part fresh winds from the same steering the same Lat 54, 03

Monday May 15th

Corn with strong winds from the S E steering N W with rain & fog the middle part more moderate with the wind the same the last part the wind light from the N E steering N W the wack employed in breaking out shocks

Tuesday May 16th

All this day light winds from the N E steering N W with fog & snow in the middle & last parts the wack employed in stowing the ground tier in the after back

Remarks on board the Park Gay Head

Wednesday May 17th

All this day light airs from the N^W at 10 A.M. came to the ice & lay with the head yards aback untill 5 P.M. steered West the remainder of the day with the wind from the North at 10 P.M. got through the ice

Thursday May 18th

Came with Calms at 3 P.M. the wind backed up from the N N E heading N W the wack employed in setting up shoocks Lat 57.34

Friday May 19th

All this day light winds from N to N E steering from N W N W to North at 10 P.M. Come up to scattering ice Lat 58.50

Saturday May 20th

All this day fresh breezes from the N E steering to the N W through scattering ice shortened sail & Lay aback through the night

Sunday May 21st

Came with strong winds from the N E with snow a part of the time working to the North through the ice at 2 A.M. raised a sail to the North 15 miles dist at 9 A.M. double reefed the 3 sails & Lay aback in scattering ice through the middle part at 5 P.M. made sail heading N N W at 7 P.M. came to clear water at 11 came to ice & tacked heading E by S Lat 60.25

On a whaling voyage from New Bedford 1877

Monday May 22^d

All this day strong breezes from the N E working to the North until 9 A M reefed the J Sails at 12 M it came in sight of 13 sails at the head of clear water & up to the ice Lat 60.12

Tuesday May 23^d

All this day moderate weather wind from the N E working to the windward in company with 13 sails amongst scattering ice. Lat 60.49

Wednesday May 24th

All this day strong breezes from the N E with much fog & snow working to windward amongst scattering ice Lat 60.49

Thursday May 25th

Came with fresh gales from the N E with snow & fog & scattering ice around the middle part more moderate from the N W at 8 P M made sail steering N N E amongst scattering light ice in company with 6 other ships Lat 61.54

Friday May 26th

All this day light winds from the S W to S E steering N E amongst much light ice going about one knot with a swell from the South Lat 61.25

Saturday May 27th

All this day light winds from the N E & North the first part all sail in the middle part heading from N E to E N E under all sail the last part a little more wind from the same with more clear water Lat 61.15

Remarks on board the Bark Gay-Head

Sunday May 28th

All this day light breezes from the North heading E. N. E. the first & last parts the middle part lying aback with scattering ice around & 3 sails in sight Lat 51.03

Monday May 29th

All this day light winds from the N. E. to E. N. E. a part of the time lying aback & the remainder working to the North in scattering ice at 11 P. M. raised 9 sails bearing N Lat 51.10

Tuesday May 30th

All this day light winds from the N. E. lying aback the most of the day with scattering ice around & very heavy large cakes Cape Naverene in sight Lat 51.18

Wednesday May 31st

All this day light winds from the N. & N. E. lying aback a part of the time & working to the North, as the ice opened at 6 P. M. the Massachusetts got a whale

Thursday May June 1st

All this day light airs from the S. & off working to the North in broken ice & some very heavy cakes saw grampuses twice very clear & pleasant weather Lat 51.33

On a Whaling voyage From New Bedford 1871

Friday June 2^d

All this day light airs from the S working to the N E through scattering heavy ice at 7 P M came to packed ice in thick fog Lat 51.40

Saturday June 3^d

All this day light airs from the S & S W with thick fog the most of the time & heavy ice around heard several whales and lowered twice in the fog without success at 8 A M the fog cleared a little & saw a whale & lowered for him at 9 & the S B struck & killed him at 11 & got him along side & got ready to cut Lat 51.42

Sunday June 4th

All this day light winds from the S & S E at 1 A M came to cut the whale at 4 1/2 finished cutting & got supper at 5 & raised a whale & lowered for him at 7 the boats came on board & set the waches at 2 P M came to boil 12 sails in sight Lat 51.29

Monday June 5th

All this day light winds from the S E & East working to the North in the first & last parts the middle part blocked with ice with all sail in saw the Fanny take a whale the wach employed in boiling Lat 51.39

Tuesday June 5th

All this day light winds from the E blocked in the ice at 12 M M cooled down at 7 P M came to stow down the oil Lat 51.50
cape Norvege 20 mids dist bearing North

Remarks on board the Bark Gay Head

Wednesday June 7th

All this day light airs from the North
in heavy packed ice with all sail in
12 sails in sight Cape Noverene 25 miles
dist bearing N by E saw a little open water
to the NE Lat 51° 50'

Thursday June 8th

All this day light airs from the W with
all sails furled blocked in the ice with
12 sails in sight Lat 51° 50'

Friday June 9th

All this day light airs from the NW made
all sail at 5 PM but did not gain any
on account of thick ice Cape Noverene
still in sight Lat 51° 55'

Saturday June 10th

All this day light & variable airs from the E to
S W in thick ice with a light current setting
NE Cape Noverene 15 miles dist Lat 52° 00'

Sunday June 11th

All this day light winds from the East
with packed ice as far as we can see
with 20 sails in sight Cape Noverene
15 miles dist bearing NW Lat 54° 58'

Monday June 12th

All this day light winds from the SE
with all sails furled fast to a cake of ice
& thick cloudy weather

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Tuesday June 13th

All this day light winds from the S & E with thick fog the ship fast to a cake of ice a little clear water around a part to the day

Wednesday June 14th

All this day light winds from the South amongst broken ice & thick fog & snow the most of the time at 7 P.M. raised a Bow head & lowered for him without success returning at 8th

Thursday June 15th

All this day light winds from the S & E with snow & fog in the first & middle parts the ship fast to a cake of ice at 5 P.M. it cleared made sail & steered N E by N
Lat 53.27

Friday June 16th

All this day light airs from the S & N E working to the North through scattering ice at 5 A.M. the ice closed & made fast to a large cake at 8 P.M. it opened & made all sail steering N & N ~~by N~~ Lat 53.45

Saturday June 17th

All this day thick weather with snow & fog a part of the day steering N & E & the remainder made fast to a cake of ice the wind moderate from the South
Lat 54.20

Remarks on board the Bark Gay Head

Sunday June 18th

All this day strong breezes from the S E with much fog & snow at 6 P M made sail from a cake of ice & steered N E in broken ice at 9 P M got into clear water at 11.30 raised Cape Phering 10 miles distant with light fog

Monday June 19th

All this day light winds from the S E lying off the land at Cape Phering untill 4 A M then steered N W at 4 P M raised the Bark Concordia Boiling with thick weather the most of the day saw one Whale going quick to the E

Tuesday June 20th

All this day light winds from the North working to the S E along the land in company with the Concordia & Lagoda the natives on board all the last part from Cape Phering

Wednesday June 21st

All this day light winds from the S E working along the coast to the S E with thick weather fog snow & rain the ice from 5 to 8 miles off shore

Thursday June 22^d

All this day light winds from the S E working along the land to windward with fog & snow at 6 A M lowered for a while it proved to be a Calapornia gray & sails in sight got up the sails & sent them to the anchors

On a whaling from New Bedford 1891

Friday June 23^d

All this day fresh breezes from the West working along the shore at 4 A.M. passed Plover Bay in company with 10 Sails at 6 P.M. passed Indian point with ice along the West shore

Saturday June 24th

All this day fresh breezes from the N.W. steering by the wind heading N.W. & at 8 A.M. off St. Lawrence Bay with the head yards aback the Bay full of ice at 5 P.M. stood to the S.E. with light fog at 11 tacked to the W. with the Diamonds 2 miles dist

Sunday June 25th

All this day light winds from the N.W. tacking to windward along shore at 2 A.M. passed East Cape at 5 came to the ice 25 miles to the North of the straits 10 Sails in sight saw a few devil fish going quick

Monday June 26th

All this day light & variable winds working along the land to the S.E. between Cape Serdze & Cape East the land 5 miles dist

Tuesday June 27th

All this day light air from the South heading N.W. at 4 P.M. Capt. Parker came off from the North side of Cape East at 7 P.M. covered for Devil fish at 11 the L. Boat shot one but did not succeed in getting him

Remarks on board the Park Gay Throat
Wednesday June 28th

Came with light air from the N W
with the Boats off after Devil fish
at 2 A M they came on board & braced
to the wind heading W S W at 7 backed
heading N N E the middle part light
winds the last part fresh breezes from
the same heading W S W

Thursday June 29th

The first & middle parts of this day strong
breezes from the N W steering to the Westward
by the edge of the ice at 5 A M raised
3 sails to windward steering to the South
the last part the wind light from
the same steering to the E & N Lat 67.20

Friday June 30th

All this day light winds from the South
working to East by the edge of the ice with
4 sails in sight hunting for Walrus
Lat 67.44

Saturday July 1st

All this day light air from the North
going by the edge of the ice to the E
saw a few walrus but did not lower

Sunday July 2nd

All this day light air from the N E at 7 A M
sent the Boats after walrus & got - 50
all day

Monday July 3rd

All this day light winds from the N W
with the Boats off the most of the time
after walrus & got 50 during the day

on a whaling voyage from New Bedford 1877

Tuesday July 4th

All this day light airs from the South working by the edge of the ice to the East in pursuit of walrus saw a few but did not lower Lat 67.35

Wednesday July 5th

the first part of this day calm at 2 AM lowered for walrus the boats returning at 12 PM with 5 } Lat 67.26

Thursday July 6th

Calm with light winds from the South & thick fog at 2 PM the wind halled to the West & the fog cleared saw a few Walrus but did not lower for them

Friday July 7th

All this day light winds from the N W steering to the E & East at 5 AM lowered for walrus & got 4 at 2 PM lowered again & got 9

Saturday July 8th

All this day light airs from the E & North working by the edge of the ice saw a few walrus but did not lower for them at 8 PM lowered for killers but did not get any

Sunday July 9th

The first & middle part of this day strong winds from the N W lying to under short sail off the edge of the ice the last part calm

Remarks on board the Bark Jay Head
Monday July 10th

All this day light winds from the South working to the West by the edge of the ice in pursuit of Walrus but saw a very few

Tuesday July 11th

All this day light winds from the South & west at 10 A.M. made the Western ice & worked back to the Eastward

Wednesday July 12th

All this day fresh breezes from the West & N.W. at 11 A.M. lowered for walrus in a thick snow storm at 2 came on board with 7 walrus at 5 P.M. lowered again with good weather

Thursday July 13th

All this day light winds from the N.W. with a plenty of walrus on the ice at 3 A.M. the Boats came on board with 20, & went again returning at 4 P.M. with 30

Friday July 14th

All this day light winds from the N.W. with fog and snow the most of the time employed in boiling all day heading N.E. & W.

Saturday July 15th

All this day light winds from the N.W. steering N.E. & W. until 7 P.M. took heading at E. & gained Walrus lowered for them at 10 saw a Walrus head going quick to the South closed him with 2 boats & returned at 11 P.M.

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Sunday July 16th

The first & middle part of this day light
airs from the North, going ahead making
& blowing down oil at 10 A.M. finished
stowing the Boats got 2 walrus the Capt
left the wind S.E. steering to the North
by the edge of the ice with light fog a
part of the time

Monday 17th

All this day moderate breeze from the S.E.
at 2 A.M. the Capt went on board
the Venica at 11 A.M. he returned
the remainder of the day working
to the N.W. by the edge of the ice
Lat 68.33

Tuesday July 18th

All this day strong breeze from the S.E.
working to the South by the edge of
the ice under reefed 3 sails & jib
Lat 68.19

Wednesday July 19th

All this day strong breeze from the
S.E. working to the South by the edge
of the ice with light fog the most
of the time under reefed 3 sails

Thursday July 20th

Came with moderate winds from
the South at 8 A.M. raised a lot of
walrus on the ice & sent the Boats
in at 4 P.M. they returned with
47 at 8 sent them again returning at
11 with 10 walrus Cape Serdze in sight
bearing S.E.

Remarks on board the Bark Gay Head

Friday July 21st

All this day fresh breezes from the S & E with rain & fog a part of the day working to the N & E by the ice saw a few walrus

Saturday July 22^d

All this day light winds from the South at 6 A M sent the Boats in after walrus at 12 M they returned in a thick fog with 14 walrus the remainder of the day lying off the edge of the ice.

Sunday July 23^d

All this day light winds from the S & E at 12 M I sent the Boats after walrus at 10 A M they returned with 16 the remainder of the day steering & employed in Boiling

Monday July 24th

Came with light air from the S & E heading E N E at 6 A M the wind shifted to the North steering E at 2 P M Cape Lisburn bearing N & 25 miles distant at 4 it came in thick fog & lay aback

Tuesday July 25th

All this day strong breezes from the N & S with thick fog lying aback by the edge of the ice

Wednesday July 26th

All this day strong breezes from the N & S frequent squalls of snow lying on the shore at Cape Lisburn in the night took in & storm sails

on a whaling voyage from New Bedford 1871
Thursday July 27th

All this day strong winds from the N E
under reefed Top Sails working to windward
from the land between Cape Cod & Cape
Isborn

Friday July 28th

All this day strong gales from the N E starting
by the wind heading N N W under cloth
reefed Top Sails & storm sails saw a
very little ice

Saturday July 29th

Calm with strong breezes from the N E
heading E S E the middle part light
winds from the E N E heading North
with light flows of ice the last part
calm the wack employed in stowing oil

Sunday July 30th

All this day light airs from the West
heading N N E with scattering ice around
some small in sight

Monday July 31st

Calm with calms the middle & last
part light airs from the North
heading E N E with Cape Isborn 3 miles
dist bearing South

Tuesday July 31st

Calm with light airs from the N W
heading N E at 1 P M the 4 boats
went fowling & returned at 4 with 425
sacks the middle & last parts light
winds from the North working to the North
with scattering ice around

Remarks on Board the Bark Gay Head

Wednesday Aug 2^d

All this day fresh breezes from the North working to the North between the packed ice & Land with scattering ice 10 miles off shore one sail in sight (Lat 70° 10')

Thursday Aug 3^d

All this day strong winds from the NE working along shore to the NE at 8 AM came to anchor 12 miles from the shore & miles from icy Cape in company with the J. J. Thompson.

Friday Aug 4th

All this day light winds with fog lying at anchor & miles from icy Cape in company with 5 other vessels.

Saturday Aug 5th

All this day fresh winds from the NE lying at anchor at 7 AM got under weigh & went 4 miles to the South to get clear of the ice.

Sunday Aug 6th

All this day light winds from the North at 9 AM took the anchor & worked to the NE along shore with the ice from 3 to 15 miles from the Land at 10 AM passed Blossom Shale with 10 sails in sight.

Monday Aug 7th

All this day light winds from the NE working to windward along shore in from 5 to 12 fathoms of water.

On a whaling voyage from New Bedford 1881
Tuesday Aug 9th

On this day light winds with light fog at times at 2 A.M. raised whales swimming from the ice & lowered the L & B Boats the L B struck & killed him at 2 1/2 got him along side & finished cutting & set the wack at 6 made fast to the ice & started boiling

Wednesday Aug 10th

All this day fresh breezes from the N.E. with fog a part of the day at 8 A.M. raised a whale & lowered the L & B Boats at 9 the B B struck & killed him at 10 took him along side & anchored at 4 P.M. finished cutting & made sail working up to the ice & anchored the remainder of the day the wack were employed in boiling

Thursday Aug 10th

All this day light winds from the N.E. with 2 boats off after whales in the ice & saw a few returning at 8 A.M. & set the wack at 10 saw a whale & lowered the L & B Boats at 10 1/2 the L Boat struck & lost her whale in the ice in thick fog 4 whales taken by the fleet this day

Friday Aug 11th

All this day strong winds & light fog from the N.E. with 2 boats off looking for whales in the ice saw a very few whales but got none 14 ships at anchor within 2 miles 3 whales taken this day by the fleet

Remarks on board the Bark *Eag Head*

Saturday Aug 12th

All this day light airs from the
W & N W with 2 Boats off in the
ice looking for whales at 9 A M
the ice closed in leaving the boats
& mounds in the ice with 12 others
at 11 A M we halled them on the
ice & left them starting for the Land
at 2 P M got on shore & started to
get abreast of the ships at 8 P M
they all got on board their ships

Sunday Aug 13th

All this day light airs from the E S E W
at 5 P M sent 2 boats crews after the boats
left on the ice the remainder stowing
oil & finishing boiling

Monday Aug 14th

All this day light airs from the West
with 2 boats off after whales & the
remainder stowing oil

Tuesday Aug 15th

All this day light airs from the North
with 2 boats off after whales the
remainder stowing oil & clearing
deck

Wednesday Aug 16th

All this day light airs from the
E W with thick fog all 4 boats off
after whales but saw nothing

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Thursday Aug 17th

All this day calms with thick fog
all hands employed in breaking
out for shocks & blowing snow
between decks

Friday Aug 18th
All this day light airs from the
N.E. with 3 boats off cruising
for whales with the ship. Made
fast to a cake of ice in 3 fathoms
of water

Saturday Aug 19th

All this day calms with thick fog & 2 Boats off
cruising for whales but saw nothing. The last part
the ice came to one half mile from the shore
with 23 ships along the edge of it made fast to
the ice that was aground

Sunday Aug 20th

All this day light airs from the N.E. & South with
thick fog a part of the time & 2 Boats off after
whales in the first part but saw none the other
two on board setting up shocks & bending a
new Main. C. Chail got 2 men from the Emily-
Morgan that were wrecked from the "Rice"

Monday Aug 21st

All this day light airs from the South with
thick fog at 6.4 A.M. cast off from the ice
& dropped the anchor in 5 fathoms of water
a cables length from the ice & a half mile
from the land

Tuesday Aug 22^d

all this day light winds from the North at
anchor in the same place with 2 boats off
looking for whales but saw nothing

Remarks on board the Bark Gay Head

Wednesday Aug 23^d

All this day from the N.E. lying at anchor 10 miles South of Point Belcher at 5 A.M. the boats returned & all hands got supper

Thursday Aug 24th

All this day light winds from the N.E. at 1 A.M. sent the C & L Boats off on a long cruise with 4 days provisions

Friday Aug 25th

At 5 A.M. the Boats off the Sea Horse Island & the C B struck & killed a whale got him along side of a cake of ice at 6^h & com to cut him worked on him in company with the Concordes Boats at 10 it grew dark & foggy the boats went to the Land to camp

Saturday Aug 26th

All this day light gales with thick fog with the whale closed in with ice sent the C B on board after more provisions returning the next day

Sunday Aug 27th

All this day the wind light from the N.E. the whale still in packed ice

Monday Aug 28th

All this day light wind & variable at 4 P.M. the ice opened the Boats went to the whales & cut them at 12 finished cutting & towed to the beach got dinner & com towing along shore

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Tuesday Aug 29th

All this day light & variable winds
towing the Blubber to the ship along the
beach at 11 P.M. the current came
to run to the N.E. of the ice to close up
made the Blubber fast to the beach &
4 boats started for the ship

Wednesday Aug 30th

All this day light winds from the South
with fog or snow the most of the time
at 2 A.M. the Boat got to the ship
at 12 M.M. the ice closed to the beach

Thursday Aug 31st

All this day light & variable winds
lying at anchor off point Belcher with
packed all around & mild from the
shore with much snow in the fore part

Friday Sept 1st

All this day light & variable winds from the
S.E. to S.W. with light snow squalls still
packed in the ice close to the land in
5 or 6 fathoms of water

Saturday Sept 2nd

All this day light air from the Southward with
packed ice all around at 8 P.M. sent 3 Boats
off over the ice to the Blubber & towed
it along shore

Sunday Sept 3rd

All this day light southerly air at 8 A.M.
the Boat came on board at 3 P.M. they went
again after the Blubber at 8 got it through the ice
to the ship & came to take it on board

Remarks on board the Bark Gay Head
Monday Sept 4th

All this day light airs from the Westward
lying in packed ice at 3 or 4. Started
the trawlers & boiled the remainder
of the day

Tuesday Sept 5th

All this day light winds from the East
employed in boiling still. Blocked in
the ice with frequent squalls of snow

Wednesday Sept 6th

All this day light airs from the E & South
with much rain in the middle
part towing down oil in the
first part with a strip of clear
water a mild off shore

Thursday Sept 7th

All this day light airs from the E & South
still in the packed ice at anchor with
light squalls of snow the current running
E & one knot per hour

Friday Sept 8th

All this day strong winds from
the N E & S W with much rain & snow
heard of the trawlers being crushed
in the ice & 2 or 3 others in a bad
condition in danger of going ashore

Saturday Sept 9th

Light breeze from N W x E W. 2 boats
went down to the fleet to find out the
cause. The Captain held a consultation
as the prospect of getting the ships out they
lightened the Brig Nichola and sent her
out on the Bar to clear water there is only 5 feet

on a whaling voyage from New Bedford 1871

water to go out in some of the Captains went
further down to the Brig Victoria to get her
out so we we might have some means of
getting off in case of losing the Ship

Sunday Sept 11th

breeze from the N E but no
signs of the Ice opening sent 4 boat off with
a load of Provisions down the coast to the clear
water the Ice is making fast around the Ship
and if it keeps freezing we shall soon be frozen
in

Monday Sept 11 clear & cold light breezes from S E
no signs of the Ice opening yet the clear water
is 40 miles off & the heavy Ice is packed all
round the Ship aground in shore and off
shore and frozen together

Tuesday Sept 12th

calm weather the Ice still packed
around the Ship and no chance of
getting out heard numerous whales
spouting in the Ice off shore latter
part light S E breeze

Wednesday Sept 13th

Fresh S wind the Ice getting to N E and
on shore the Bark George dragged her
anchors and got foul of our flyjib boom
and port Bow - bearing off her tail and injuring
her rigging the Bark Concordia lies astern of
and we cannot pay out any more cable as
we shall be foul of her latter part got
some of our provisions ashore over the Ice saw
signals set to South by the other Ships so ends

Thursday Sept 14th

First part of these 24 hours fresh I breeze
ice packing on shore being now convinced
that there is no chance of getting the ship
in clear water which is 20 miles distant
the Captains of all the ships who are in the
same situation determined to abandon the
ship to save life as it is impossible to
stay here all winter with only 3 months
provisions and no shelter for the ships and
we all feel convinced the first N W gale
will throw the ships on the beach or they
will be crushed by the ice accordingly at
7 A M having landed provisions enough to
last us 40 days we hauled the boats over
the ice and loaded them ready to start
set the ensign Union down and abandoned
the ship being forced to do so to preserve our
lives, and ^{we} consider the ship lost beyond hope

Log of Provisions used on board Bark
 Day Head commencing Oct 11th 1870

Beef lbs	Bark lbs	Bread gallons	Flour lbs	Solasses gallons
10 1		135	1	
" 18 1	1		2	
" 26 1	1		1 1/2	28
Nov 10 2	2	19 1/2	1 1/2	
" 21 1 1/2	1			
28 1/2	2		2 1/2	
Dec 9 1/2	1			
" 12 1/2	1	290		
" 22 1 1/2			2	
" 28 1/2	1			
Jan 5 1/2 1 1/2	2			
" 16 1/2		15 1/2	2	
" 25 1/2 1 1/2	1			
Feb 10 1/2			2	
" 20 1/2 1 1/2	1			
March 3 1/2 1 1/2	1	250	2	
April 4 1/2 1 1/2	1		2	
" 17 1/2 1 1/2	1	300		
May 3 1/2 1 1/2	1		2	
" 30 1/2 1 1/2	1		2	
June 6 1/2			2	
" 12 1 1/2 1		240		
" 20 1/2			3	
28 1/2 1			3 1/2	
July 12 1/2 1		253		
" 24 1 1/2 1				
" 28 1/2			3 1/2	

